

### **Amendment to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims.

### **Listing of Claims**

1. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) a polynucleotide fragment of SEQ ID NO: [[X]]12 or a polynucleotide ~~fragment of which is hybridizable to the cDNA sequence of clone HKMMV77 the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: [[Z]]209179, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO: X;~~
  - (b) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO: [[Y]]109 or a polypeptide fragment encoded by a polynucleotide which is hybridizable to the cDNA sequence of clone HKMMV77 the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: [[Z]]209179, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO: X;
  - (c) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide domain of SEQ ID NO: [[Y]]109 or a polypeptide domain encoded by a polynucleotide which is hybridizable to the cDNA sequence of clone HKMMV77 the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: [[Z]]209179, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO: X;
  - (d) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide epitope of SEQ ID NO: [[Y]]109 or a polypeptide epitope encoded by a polynucleotide which is hybridizable to the cDNA sequence of clone HKMMV77 the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: [[Z]]209179, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO: X;
  - (e) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO: [[Y]]109 or a polynucleotide which is hybridizable to the cDNA sequence of clone HKMMV77 the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: [[Z]]209179, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO: X, having wherein said polypeptide has biological activity;
  - (f) a polynucleotide which is a variant of SEQ ID NO: [[X]]12;
  - (g) a polynucleotide which is an allelic variant of SEQ ID NO: [[X]]12;
  - (h) a polynucleotide which encodes a species homologue of the SEQ ID NO: [[Y]]109;
  - (i) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing under stringent conditions to any one of the polynucleotides specified in (a)-(h), wherein said polynucleotide does not hybridize

under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence of only A residues or of only T residues.

2.- 23. (Canceled)